

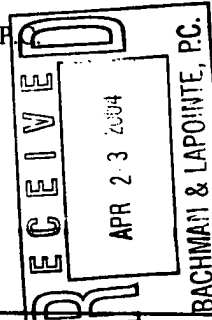


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I (We) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_ filed in the United States of America on \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Check III and/or IV below as appropriate)

☐ I. (For Inventors Employed by an Organization) That I (we) made and conceived this invention while employed by \_\_\_\_\_. That the invention is related to the work I am (we are) employed to perform and was made within the scope of my (our) employment duties; That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of \_\_\_\_\_. Other relevant facts are \_\_\_\_\_.

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That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief (and/or) based upon information provided by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_:

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That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief:

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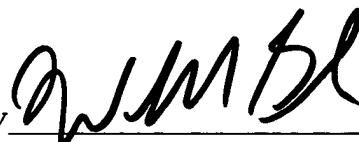
Sir:

In response to the Official Notice of April 19, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants enclose herewith a Statement signed by the inventors of the instant application.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 21-0279.

Respectfully submitted,

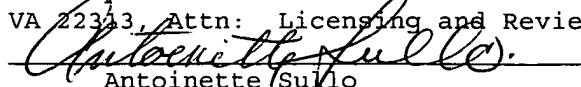
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citizen(s) of  
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06/1 declare:

That I (we) made and conceived the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/713,641 filed on November 13, 2003 entitled BLEED HOUSING.

That I (we) made and conceived this invention while employed by United Technologies Corporation. That the invention is related to the work I am (we are) employed to perform and was made within the scope of my (our) employment duties; that the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of United Technologies Corporation.

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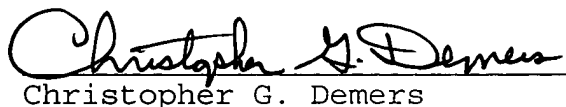
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